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Youth Clubs
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Youth Clubs functioning in the country at present;

(b) the norms/ criteria adopted for constitution of a Youth Club in the country;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up more Youth Clubs in the country including in the rural and hilly areas;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) the annual allocation of funds to each club during the last three years and the current year along with the purpose for which these funds are given; and

(f) the details of agencies through which these clubs are getting such funds?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

(a): At present, there are 1,24,364 Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) affiliated Youth Clubs functioning in the country. NYKS is an autonomous organisation under the Ministry, which is engaged in development of personality and leadership qualities of youth through youth clubs.

(b): The norms/ criteria essential for constitution of a Youth Club, in order to be eligible for affiliation to NYKS, are as follows:
1. Should enroll minimum seven or more youth;
2. Should have a Memorandum of Association;
3. Should frame Bye-laws;
4. Should maintain proceedings of the General Body Meeting;
5. Should furnish list of office bearers & members; and

(c)&(d): A number of Youth Clubs already exist in rural and hilly areas. Further, setting up of Youth Clubs is a continuing process. Youth Clubs are set up by the youth themselves.

(e)&(f): Under the National Youth Leaders Programme (NYLP) introduced in 2014-15, there is provision for providing grants to the youth clubs @Rs.200 per club per month, for organising village-level neighbourhood youth parliament programmes. The Scheme is administered through NYKS. Regarding other programmes implemented by NYKS, while the programmes are implemented by actively involving youth clubs, no direct financial assistance is provided to the youth clubs.
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